

**Alaska**  
**Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force Data**  
**1976 to 2014**

**2014**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	364,792	365,394	366,392	366,336	366,984							
Employment	341,589	341,780	342,389	342,864	343,607							
Unemployment	23,203	23,614	24,003	23,472	23,377							
Unemployment Rate	6.4%	6.5%	6.6%	6.4%	6.4%							

**2013**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	364,674	364,382	364,239	364,250	364,279	364,288	364,252	364,163	364,058	364,008	363,978	364,001
Employment	340,846	340,786	340,777	340,772	340,590	340,268	339,954	339,815	339,877	340,084	340,341	340,648
Unemployment	23,828	23,596	23,462	23,478	23,689	24,020	24,298	24,348	24,181	23,924	23,637	23,353
Unemployment Rate	6.5%	6.5%	6.4%	6.4%	6.5%	6.6%	6.7%	6.7%	6.6%	6.6%	6.5%	6.4%

**2012**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	366,504	366,377	366,245	366,065	365,845	365,621	365,425	365,314	365,348	365,390	365,300	365,040
Employment	340,042	340,347	340,456	340,306	339,979	339,686	339,600	339,790	340,205	340,626	340,885	340,933
Unemployment	26,462	26,030	25,789	25,759	25,866	25,935	25,825	25,524	25,143	24,764	24,415	24,107
Unemployment Rate	7.2%	7.1%	7.0%	7.0%	7.1%	7.1%	7.1%	7.0%	6.9%	6.8%	6.7%	6.6%

**2011**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	364,024	364,315	364,413	364,298	364,073	363,951	364,132	364,645	365,365	366,062	366,496	366,610
Employment	335,776	336,390	336,790	336,855	336,629	336,384	336,402	336,797	337,519	338,363	339,106	339,653
Unemployment	28,248	27,925	27,623	27,443	27,444	27,567	27,730	27,848	27,846	27,699	27,390	26,957
Unemployment Rate	7.8%	7.7%	7.6%	7.5%	7.5%	7.6%	7.6%	7.6%	7.6%	7.6%	7.5%	7.4%

**2010**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	360,354	360,926	361,275	361,337	361,159	360,940	360,937	361,287	361,885	362,572	363,181	363,647
Employment	330,929	331,486	331,978	332,322	332,513	332,640	332,804	333,106	333,524	334,026	334,574	335,146
Unemployment	29,425	29,440	29,297	29,015	28,646	28,300	28,133	28,181	28,361	28,546	28,607	28,501
Unemployment Rate	8.2%	8.2%	8.1%	8.0%	7.9%	7.8%	7.8%	7.8%	7.8%	7.9%	7.9%	7.8%

**2009**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	356,714	357,046	357,481	357,954	358,389	358,761	359,031	359,165	359,209	359,234	359,393	359,781
Employment	331,874	331,483	331,200	331,037	330,888	330,737	330,576	330,417	330,309	330,245	330,290	330,501
Unemployment	24,840	25,563	26,281	26,917	27,501	28,024	28,455	28,748	28,900	28,989	29,103	29,280
Unemployment Rate	7.0%	7.2%	7.4%	7.5%	7.7%	7.8%	7.9%	8.0%	8.0%	8.1%	8.1%	8.1%

**2008**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	354,399	354,783	355,120	355,431	355,694	355,949	356,176	356,354	356,497	356,619	356,710	356,813
Employment	332,575	332,901	333,105	333,183	333,129	333,048	333,020	333,072	333,145	333,121	332,921	332,555
Unemployment	21,824	21,882	22,015	22,248	22,565	22,901	23,156	23,282	23,352	23,498	23,789	24,258
Unemployment Rate	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.3%	6.3%	6.4%	6.5%	6.5%	6.6%	6.6%	6.7%	6.8%

**2007**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	351,120	350,772	350,351	350,032	349,933	350,104	350,538	351,209	352,066	352,971	353,769	354,411
Employment	329,819	329,768	329,556	329,273	329,023	328,945	329,125	329,590	330,315	331,136	331,913	332,563
Unemployment	21,301	21,004	20,795	20,759	20,910	21,159	21,413	21,619	21,751	21,835	21,856	21,848
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	6.0%	5.9%	5.9%	6.0%	6.0%	6.1%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%

**2006**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	347,469	347,629	347,733	347,835	347,937	348,083	348,389	348,942	349,663	350,360	350,841	350,965
Employment	323,433	323,944	324,384	324,717	324,971	325,248	325,715	326,431	327,310	328,200	328,925	329,351
Unemployment	24,036	23,685	23,349	23,118	22,966	22,835	22,674	22,511	22,353	22,160	21,916	21,614
Unemployment Rate	6.9%	6.8%	6.7%	6.6%	6.6%	6.6%	6.5%	6.5%	6.4%	6.3%	6.2%	6.2%

**2005**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	342,376	342,459	342,440	342,434	342,579	342,999	343,738	344,710	345,788	346,783	347,574	348,110
Employment	318,068	318,526	318,931	319,297	319,676	320,122	320,639	321,215	321,843	322,497	323,140	323,731
Unemployment	24,308	23,933	23,509	23,137	22,903	22,877	23,099	23,495	23,945	24,286	24,434	24,379
Unemployment Rate	7.1%	7.0%	6.9%	6.8%	6.7%	6.7%	6.7%	6.8%	6.9%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%

**2004**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	338,609	338,819	338,811	338,691	338,597	338,659	338,973	339,542	340,285	341,047	341,679	342,128
Employment	312,942	313,212	313,318	313,358	313,437	313,659	314,087	314,723	315,495	316,274	316,971	317,560
Unemployment	25,667	25,607	25,493	25,333	25,160	25,000	24,886	24,819	24,790	24,773	24,708	24,568
Unemployment Rate	7.6%	7.6%	7.5%	7.5%	7.4%	7.4%	7.3%	7.3%	7.3%	7.3%	7.2%	7.2%

**2003**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	333,557	334,234	334,759	335,001	334,942	334,792	334,772	335,013	335,569	336,380	337,297	338,087
Employment	308,346	308,798	309,118	309,187	309,004	308,793	308,801	309,142	309,828	310,730	311,661	312,429
Unemployment	25,211	25,436	25,641	25,814	25,938	25,999	25,971	25,871	25,741	25,650	25,636	25,658
Unemployment Rate	7.6%	7.6%	7.7%	7.7%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	7.7%	7.7%	7.6%	7.6%	7.6%

**2002**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	326,297	327,047	327,604	328,009	328,354	328,742	329,238	329,843	330,577	331,350	332,116	332,839
Employment	305,017	305,319	305,425	305,396	305,332	305,379	305,595	305,956	306,436	306,924	307,405	307,874
Unemployment	21,280	21,728	22,179	22,613	23,022	23,363	23,643	23,887	24,141	24,426	24,711	24,965
Unemployment Rate	6.5%	6.6%	6.8%	6.9%	7.0%	7.1%	7.2%	7.2%	7.3%	7.4%	7.4%	7.5%

**2001**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	321,736	322,187	322,387	322,367	322,266	322,226	322,375	322,714	323,216	323,865	324,626	325,452
Employment	302,134	302,637	302,882	302,904	302,811	302,725	302,775	302,954	303,262	303,676	304,140	304,600
Unemployment	19,602	19,550	19,505	19,463	19,455	19,501	19,600	19,760	19,954	20,189	20,486	20,852
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	6.0%	6.0%	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	6.2%	6.2%	6.3%	6.4%

**2000**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	320,073	320,671	320,866	320,641	320,109	319,462	318,925	318,720	318,939	319,514	320,291	321,079
Employment	300,675	301,120	301,163	300,814	300,212	299,559	299,074	298,930	299,203	299,819	300,626	301,440
Unemployment	19,398	19,551	19,703	19,827	19,897	19,903	19,851	19,790	19,736	19,695	19,665	19,639
Unemployment Rate	6.1%	6.1%	6.1%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.1%	6.1%

**1999**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	317,198	317,514	317,557	317,361	317,010	316,670	316,497	316,555	316,880	317,458	318,274	319,209
Employment	297,468	297,732	297,743	297,552	297,249	296,974	296,857	296,974	297,388	298,073	298,970	299,908
Unemployment	19,730	19,782	19,814	19,809	19,761	19,696	19,640	19,581	19,492	19,385	19,304	19,301
Unemployment Rate	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.1%	6.1%	6.0%

**1998**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	312,233	312,243	312,305	312,401	312,545	312,750	313,047	313,476	314,106	314,921	315,795	316,604
Employment	292,974	293,300	293,515	293,622	293,648	293,636	293,690	293,957	294,516	295,316	296,189	296,943
Unemployment	19,259	18,943	18,790	18,779	18,897	19,114	19,357	19,519	19,590	19,605	19,606	19,661
Unemployment Rate	6.2%	6.1%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.1%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%

**1997**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	311,376	311,680	311,794	311,815	311,803	311,808	311,884	312,033	312,207	312,345	312,365	312,297
Employment	287,872	288,176	288,525	288,908	289,273	289,616	289,998	290,449	290,991	291,565	292,099	292,573
Unemployment	23,504	23,504	23,269	22,907	22,530	22,192	21,886	21,584	21,216	20,780	20,266	19,724
Unemployment Rate	7.5%	7.5%	7.5%	7.3%	7.2%	7.1%	7.0%	6.9%	6.8%	6.7%	6.5%	6.3%

**1996**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	306,255	306,744	307,223	307,640	307,944	308,145	308,355	308,693	309,163	309,729	310,330	310,906
Employment	282,970	283,328	283,819	284,380	284,930	285,396	285,810	286,231	286,656	287,028	287,332	287,602
Unemployment	23,285	23,416	23,404	23,260	23,014	22,749	22,545	22,462	22,507	22,701	22,998	23,304
Unemployment Rate	7.6%	7.6%	7.6%	7.6%	7.5%	7.4%	7.3%	7.3%	7.3%	7.3%	7.4%	7.5%

**1995**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	302,803	302,812	302,728	302,625	302,609	302,765	303,133	303,666	304,259	304,824	305,324	305,792
Employment	281,507	281,635	281,640	281,570	281,506	281,536	281,718	281,994	282,279	282,492	282,630	282,759
Unemployment	21,296	21,177	21,088	21,055	21,103	21,229	21,415	21,672	21,980	22,332	22,694	23,033
Unemployment Rate	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.1%	7.1%	7.2%	7.3%	7.4%	7.5%

**1994**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	298,179	298,864	299,451	299,915	300,278	300,561	300,845	301,188	301,581	301,989	302,377	302,672
Employment	275,404	275,823	276,242	276,686	277,180	277,705	278,268	278,864	279,487	280,110	280,707	281,203
Unemployment	22,775	23,041	23,209	23,229	23,098	22,856	22,577	22,324	22,094	21,879	21,670	21,469
Unemployment Rate	7.6%	7.7%	7.8%	7.7%	7.7%	7.6%	7.5%	7.4%	7.3%	7.2%	7.2%	7.1%

#### 1993

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	290,162	290,566	291,221	292,058	292,948	293,789	294,472	295,010	295,510	296,045	296,675	297,424
Employment	266,942	267,582	268,339	269,226	270,179	271,119	271,981	272,727	273,383	273,962	274,474	274,957
Unemployment	23,220	22,984	22,882	22,832	22,769	22,670	22,491	22,283	22,127	22,083	22,201	22,467
Unemployment Rate	8.0%	7.9%	7.9%	7.8%	7.8%	7.7%	7.6%	7.6%	7.5%	7.5%	7.5%	7.6%

#### 1992

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	285,068	285,886	286,702	287,525	288,250	288,838	289,293	289,588	289,727	289,808	289,861	289,951
Employment	258,613	259,286	260,088	260,986	261,870	262,677	263,398	264,038	264,621	265,211	265,792	266,358
Unemployment	26,455	26,600	26,614	26,539	26,380	26,161	25,895	25,550	25,106	24,597	24,069	23,593
Unemployment Rate	9.3%	9.3%	9.3%	9.2%	9.2%	9.1%	9.0%	8.8%	8.7%	8.5%	8.3%	8.1%

#### 1991

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	271,875	273,225	274,713	276,141	277,472	278,649	279,651	280,537	281,418	282,351	283,305	284,212
Employment	252,026	252,857	253,725	254,537	255,296	255,939	256,427	256,772	257,045	257,322	257,652	258,067
Unemployment	19,849	20,368	20,988	21,604	22,176	22,710	23,224	23,765	24,373	25,029	25,653	26,145
Unemployment Rate	7.3%	7.5%	7.6%	7.8%	8.0%	8.2%	8.3%	8.5%	8.7%	8.9%	9.1%	9.2%

#### 1990

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	265,076	267,256	269,027	270,245	270,922	271,163	271,150	270,987	270,658	270,397	270,447	270,931
Employment	246,195	248,281	250,025	251,255	251,960	252,209	252,165	251,957	251,585	251,240	251,147	251,420
Unemployment	18,881	18,975	19,002	18,990	18,962	18,954	18,985	19,030	19,073	19,157	19,300	19,511
Unemployment Rate	7.1%	7.1%	7.1%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.1%	7.1%	7.2%

#### 1989

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	253,251	253,348	253,629	254,151	254,906	255,792	256,538	257,158	257,872	258,971	260,603	262,723
Employment	234,154	235,092	236,071	237,060	238,003	238,830	239,352	239,646	239,987	240,737	242,091	244,001
Unemployment	19,097	18,256	17,558	17,091	16,903	16,962	17,186	17,512	17,885	18,234	18,512	18,722
Unemployment Rate	7.5%	7.2%	6.9%	6.7%	6.6%	6.6%	6.7%	6.8%	6.9%	7.0%	7.1%	7.1%

#### 1988

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	248,758	248,797	249,119	249,678	250,370	251,078	251,724	252,266	252,698	252,992	253,167	253,231
Employment	225,900	226,160	226,591	227,214	228,010	228,889	229,737	230,480	231,127	231,754	232,457	233,256
Unemployment	22,858	22,637	22,528	22,464	22,360	22,189	21,987	21,786	21,571	21,238	20,710	19,975
Unemployment Rate	9.2%	9.1%	9.0%	9.0%	8.9%	8.8%	8.7%	8.6%	8.5%	8.4%	8.2%	7.9%

#### 1987

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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Labor Force	251,716	251,391	251,153	250,925	250,682	250,438	250,206	249,970	249,732	249,476	249,188	248,927
Employment	224,666	224,405	224,250	224,236	224,385	224,642	224,920	225,153	225,342	225,488	225,621	225,746
Unemployment	27,050	26,986	26,903	26,689	26,297	25,796	25,286	24,817	24,390	23,988	23,567	23,181
Unemployment Rate	10.7%	10.7%	10.7%	10.6%	10.5%	10.3%	10.1%	9.9%	9.8%	9.6%	9.5%	9.3%

#### 1986

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	253,069	253,751	254,507	255,212	255,696	255,838	255,603	255,059	254,342	253,574	252,822	252,178
Employment	227,324	226,955	226,680	226,549	226,531	226,544	226,493	226,333	226,068	225,733	225,349	224,982
Unemployment	25,745	26,796	27,827	28,663	29,165	29,294	29,110	28,726	28,274	27,841	27,473	27,196
Unemployment Rate	10.2%	10.6%	10.9%	11.2%	11.4%	11.5%	11.4%	11.3%	11.1%	11.0%	10.9%	10.8%

#### 1985

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	247,795	248,574	249,437	250,246	250,864	251,249	251,467	251,604	251,745	251,929	252,180	252,545
Employment	224,691	225,093	225,503	225,949	226,408	226,850	227,235	227,561	227,814	227,947	227,901	227,677
Unemployment	23,104	23,481	23,934	24,297	24,456	24,399	24,232	24,043	23,931	23,982	24,279	24,868
Unemployment Rate	9.3%	9.4%	9.6%	9.7%	9.7%	9.7%	9.6%	9.6%	9.5%	9.5%	9.6%	9.8%

#### 1984

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	240,263	241,602	242,968	244,207	245,237	246,020	246,524	246,771	246,817	246,806	246,909	247,233
Employment	215,896	216,963	218,167	219,412	220,584	221,586	222,362	222,926	223,319	223,627	223,936	224,298
Unemployment	24,367	24,639	24,801	24,795	24,653	24,434	24,162	23,845	23,498	23,179	22,973	22,935
Unemployment Rate	10.1%	10.2%	10.2%	10.2%	10.1%	9.9%	9.8%	9.7%	9.5%	9.4%	9.3%	9.3%

#### 1983

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	224,186	225,252	226,345	227,626	229,180	230,942	232,732	234,384	235,798	236,982	238,016	239,070
Employment	201,053	202,016	203,195	204,649	206,333	208,116	209,825	211,317	212,523	213,479	214,262	215,018
Unemployment	23,133	23,236	23,150	22,977	22,847	22,826	22,907	23,067	23,275	23,503	23,754	24,052
Unemployment Rate	10.3%	10.3%	10.2%	10.1%	10.0%	9.9%	9.8%	9.8%	9.9%	9.9%	10.0%	10.1%

#### 1982

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	207,115	208,254	209,610	211,183	212,899	214,614	216,226	217,717	219,116	220,459	221,775	223,034
Employment	187,299	188,303	189,451	190,761	192,203	193,680	195,100	196,402	197,539	198,514	199,386	200,214
Unemployment	19,816	19,951	20,159	20,422	20,696	20,934	21,126	21,315	21,577	21,945	22,389	22,820
Unemployment Rate	9.6%	9.6%	9.6%	9.7%	9.7%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	9.8%	10.0%	10.1%	10.2%

#### 1981

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	192,301	193,012	193,961	195,184	196,646	198,267	199,945	201,552	202,969	204,172	205,186	206,132
Employment	175,466	176,475	177,502	178,529	179,540	180,563	181,616	182,688	183,733	184,706	185,578	186,415
Unemployment	16,835	16,537	16,459	16,655	17,106	17,704	18,329	18,864	19,236	19,466	19,608	19,717
Unemployment Rate	8.8%	8.6%	8.5%	8.5%	8.7%	8.9%	9.2%	9.4%	9.5%	9.5%	9.6%	9.6%

#### 1980

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	184,308	184,720	185,394	186,287	187,276	188,245	189,085	189,761	190,312	190,804	191,269	191,738

Employment	168,220	168,397	168,549	168,757	169,088	169,601	170,283	171,057	171,858	172,678	173,538	174,476
Unemployment	16,088	16,323	16,845	17,530	18,188	18,644	18,802	18,704	18,454	18,126	17,731	17,262
Unemployment Rate	8.7%	8.8%	9.1%	9.4%	9.7%	9.9%	9.9%	9.9%	9.7%	9.5%	9.3%	9.0%

#### 1979

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	181,944	181,581	181,251	181,066	181,120	181,420	181,930	182,544	183,160	183,608	183,884	184,073
Employment	164,548	164,701	164,765	164,820	164,960	165,208	165,571	166,033	166,562	167,102	167,582	167,958
Unemployment	17,396	16,880	16,486	16,246	16,160	16,212	16,359	16,511	16,598	16,506	16,302	16,115
Unemployment Rate	9.6%	9.3%	9.1%	9.0%	8.9%	8.9%	9.0%	9.0%	9.1%	9.0%	8.9%	8.8%

#### 1978

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	178,303	178,784	179,181	179,582	180,038	180,538	181,086	181,618	182,026	182,273	182,344	182,224
Employment	159,305	159,433	159,643	160,003	160,510	161,106	161,721	162,307	162,848	163,363	163,850	164,260
Unemployment	18,998	19,351	19,538	19,579	19,528	19,432	19,365	19,311	19,178	18,910	18,494	17,964
Unemployment Rate	10.7%	10.8%	10.9%	10.9%	10.8%	10.8%	10.7%	10.6%	10.5%	10.4%	10.1%	9.9%

#### 1977

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	169,160	169,874	170,700	171,569	172,412	173,171	173,821	174,456	175,185	176,016	176,883	177,665
Employment	154,046	154,402	154,855	155,359	155,879	156,371	156,844	157,329	157,853	158,380	158,831	159,132
Unemployment	15,114	15,472	15,845	16,210	16,533	16,800	16,977	17,127	17,332	17,636	18,052	18,533
Unemployment Rate	8.9%	9.1%	9.3%	9.4%	9.6%	9.7%	9.8%	9.8%	9.9%	10.0%	10.2%	10.4%

#### 1976

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Labor Force	159,062	159,588	160,329	161,200	162,188	163,255	164,390	165,502	166,491	167,303	167,963	168,543
Employment	147,790	148,388	149,141	149,963	150,809	151,599	152,268	152,786	153,170	153,437	153,626	153,802
Unemployment	11,272	11,200	11,188	11,237	11,379	11,656	12,122	12,716	13,321	13,866	14,337	14,741
Unemployment Rate	7.1%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%	7.1%	7.4%	7.7%	8.0%	8.3%	8.5%	8.7%

Seasonal adjustment is a statistical method for removing predictable seasonal fluctuations in the unemployment rates so that the underlying trends are easier to see. For example, Alaska's unemployment rates are typically lower in the summer when construction, fishing, and tourism jobs are all at their yearly high points. Removing that expected seasonal fluctuation provides a clearer picture of whether rates are rising or falling, aside from their normal ups and downs over the course of the year.

A change in the way the labor force statistics are calculated for boroughs and census areas makes data prior to 2000 not comparable with data from 2000 forward.

#### Definitions:

- **Labor Force:** Includes all persons in the civilian noninstitutional population classified as either employed or unemployed. (See the definitions below).
- **Employment:** These are all persons who, during the reference week (the week including the 12th day of the month), (a) did any work as paid employees, worked in their own business or profession or on their own farm, or worked 15 hours or more as unpaid workers in an enterprise operated by a member of their family, or (b) were not working but who had jobs from which they were temporarily absent because of vacation, illness, bad weather, childcare problems, maternity or paternity leave, labor-management dispute job training, or other family or personal reasons, whether or not they were paid for the time off or were seeking other jobs. Each employed person is counted only once, even if he or she holds more than one job.
- **Unemployment:** Includes all persons who had no employment during the reference week, were available for work, except for temporary illness, and had made specific efforts to find employment some time during the 4 week-period ending with the reference week. Persons who were waiting to be recalled to a job from which they had been laid off need not have been looking for work to be classified as unemployed.
- **Unemployment Rate:** The ratio of unemployed to the civilian labor force expressed as a percent [i.e., 100 times (unemployed/labor force)].

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